

Richard Travis Bradshaw

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Richard Travis Bradshaw was born September 26, 1845 in Newton, near Hyde, Cheshire England. His mother Elizabeth Betty Shipley Bradshaw died and was buried on the Nebraska plains in 1854, enroute to Utah.

On July 26, 1867, he married Mary Ann Bone, daughter of William Bone and Mary Wagstaff Bone. They built their first home where the Lehi High School stands today. To them three children were born. Richard William, John Franklin, and Clara (Mrs. Daniel Thomas Fowler.)

As a young man he was actively identified in the early pioneer life of Lehi and developed a freighting business. He also did a jobbing business, which consisted mostly of buying produce from the farmer and selling same to the mining camps. He also had a contract to supply and deliver food to the troops stationed at Camp Floyd. His wife died in January 1872. He died June 26, 1872, and both are buried in Lehi Cemetery.

He was popular with the young folks, playing the concertina for the dances. He established the first independent privately owned mercantile institution in Lehi and upon his death owned the large store building just east of the bakery on Main Street in Lehi.